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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF ARRIVAL STATEMENT AS APPROVED BY
AMBASSADOR CRIMMINS. PLEASE FORWARD NEW PORTUGUESE TEXT
TO ARRIVE IN DEPARTMENT BY COB THURSDAY AUGUST SECOND.

"MY WIFE AND I ARE DELIGHTED TO BE BACK IN BRAZIL. I AM
HONORED TO HAVE BEEN APPOINTED TO SERVE IN A COUNTRY AS
IMPORTANT AS BRAZIL IS ON TODAY'S WORLD SCENE, AND IT IS
MOST PLEASANT TO CONTEMPLATE LIVING IN A COUNTRY THAT IS
AS HOSPITABLE AS IT IS DYNAMIC.

AS YOU KNOW I HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF BEING ASSIGNED TO BRAZIL
ONCE BEFORE BETWEEN 1957 AND 1961, WHEN WE WERE IN RIO. I
CAME TO KNOW AND ADMIRE BRAZIL AND THE BRAZILIANS DURING
THAT PERIOD OF LIVING IN "THE OLD CAPITAL." NOW, WE SHALL
ENJOY THE MARVELOUS CLIMATE OF "THE NEW CAPITAL."

ALTHOUGH I HAVE BEEN AWAY FROM BRAZIL FOR TWELVE YEARS,
EXCEPT FOR A VERY BRIEF VISIT LAST YEAR AS A MEMBER OF THE
PARTY OF THEN SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY CONNALLY, I
HAVE BEEN ABLE TO KEEP CLOSELY IN TOUCH WITH BRAZILIAN
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DEVELOPMENTS IN MY RECENT STATE DEPARTMENT ASSIGNMENT.
THUS I KNOW HOW FIRMLY BASED IN MUTUAL RESPECT IS THE
FRANK, CORDIAL, AND MATURE DIALOGUE BY MEANS OF WHICH OUR
TWO COUNTRIES CONDUCT THEIR RELATIONS.

THE FACT THAT THOSE RELATIONS ARE EXCELLENT MAKES ME
DOUBLY HAPPY TO BE HERE, TO WORK AND TO LIVE, IN VIGOROUS,
EXCITING BRAZIL.

FOLLOWING THE DELIVERY OF MY CREDENTIALS, MY WIFE AND I
ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO BEGINNING THE PLEASANT TASK OF
RENEWING OLD FRIENDSHIPS WITH BRAZILIANS IN BRAZIL.
THANK YOU."

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